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LUSAKA, SEPTEMBER 13 -- THE FOLLOWING EDITORIAL APPEARED IN
TODAY'S TIMES OF ZAMBIA:

QTE KITES ARE BEING FLOWN IN THE AIR ON A "THIRD ALTERNATIVE
SOLUTION" TO THE SOUTHERN AFRICAN POLITICAL CRISIS.

THE OLD TWO ALTERNATIVES WERE THOSE ADVANCED BY THE OAU IN THE
MANIFESTO ON SOUTHERN AFRICA SOME EIGHT YEARS AGO. THE FIRST,
WHICH WAS TO RESOLVE THE PROBLEM BY NEGOTIATION HAS BEEN APPLIED
AND DISCARDED.

THE SECOND, WHICH WAS TO RESOLVE THE PROBLEM BY FIGHTING, IS IN
PROGRESS AND THE CONFRONTATION IS ESCALATING AND THERE IS NO GOING
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BACK UNTIL THE FLAG OF THE LIBERATING NATIONALIST FORCES IS

PLANTED IN THE CENTRE OF SALISBURY.

BUT NOW IT APPEARS THE WEST HAS CONVINCED ITSELF ON A MYSTERIOUS THIRD ALTERNATIVE TO BUY OUT THE WHITES IN RHODESIA AND NAMIBIA ROOT AND BRANCH AND THEN THE "BENEVOLENT PURCHASER" WILL HAND OVER THE POLITICS OF THE TWO COUNTRIES TO THE BLACKS.

THE PLAN SOUNDS SMART AND PRACTICAL SINCE THE WEST HAS THE MONEY AND THE WHITE MINORITIES ARE THEMSELVES A WESTERN PEOPLE FIGHTING IN THE SEA OF AFRICAN PEOPLES AGAINST IRRESISTIBLE POLITICAL CHANGE.

THE CRUCIAL QUESTION FOR THIS THIRD ALTERNATIVE IS: WILL THE POLITICAL MERCHANTS FIND AN EFFECTIVE BLACK RHODESIAN LEADERSHIP TO BUY? SURELY, NO ONE WHO IS NOT BOUGHT WILL ACCEPT THE SPOILS OF INTERNATIONAL CAPITALISM PARTICULARLY WHERE THE BOOTY IS THAT OF HIS OWN PEOPLE AND COUNTRY.

TO INTERNATIONAL CAPITALISM EVERYTHING HAS A PRICE. THE PRICE OF RHODESIAN WHITES IS JUST A LITTLE OVER ONE BILLION DOLLARS WHICH IS CHICKEN FEED THAT CAN BE FOUND IN THE PETTY CASH OF A FEW MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS.

BUT NO MONEY CAN BUY A GENUINE LEADER. THEREFORE NO MATTER HOW MANY MILLIONS OF DOLLARS ARE SPENT IN BUYING ANY AFRICAN LEADERSHIP ALONG WITH THE INTERESTS OF THE WHITE MINORITIES, THAT MONEY WILL NOT BRING FREEDOM TO THE BLACK PEOPLE OF RHODESIA AND NAMIBIA.

IN THIS "DOLLAR COUP D'ETAT" THE MASSES OF RHODESIA AND NAMIBIA WILL BE MADE TO JUMP FROM THE FRYING PAN OF RACISM AND POLITICAL DOMINATION INTO THE FIRES OF CAPITALISM AND EXPLOITATION.

THE ONLY MATERIAL DIFFERENCE WILL BE THAT THOSE WHO WILL ASSUME POWER AND ENFORCE THE CONTINUED EVIL SYSTEM ON THE POOR BLACK MASSES WILL THEMSELVES BE BLACK WHILE THE IMMEDIATE BENEFICIARIES WILL REMAIN THE SAME WHITE MINORITIES ENTRENCHED BY A PARTNERSHIP WITH INTERNATIONAL CAPITALISM OPENLY BACKED BY POWERFUL GOVERNMENTS.

THIS DECEPTIVE PLAN WHICH IS TOO CLEVER BY HALF WILL POUR SALT INTO THE LACERATED BODY OF THE BLACK MAN. BOTH THE PLAN AND THE EVIL IN IT HAS TO BE HATED AND RESISTED AT ANY COST.

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TO WHAT END IS THE LIBERATION STRUGGLE TO DISLODGE THE OPPRESSORS IF AFTER VICTORY, THE PATRIOTS WILL FIND INTERNATIONAL CAPITALISM HAS BOUGHT AND OCCUPIED THE FARMS, MINES, FACTORIES, TOWNS AND VILLAGES AND ALL THAT IS IN RHODESIA AND NAMIBIA? UNQTE.
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